

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

00:00:00

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN GLENN ROUSH**, on February 7, 2005 at
3:12 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Glenn Roush, Chairman (D)
Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
Sen. Greg Lind (D)
Sen. Gary L. Perry (R)
Sen. Bill Tash (R)
Sen. Mike Wheat (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Ken Toole (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Peg Holwick, Committee Secretary
Krista Lee Evans, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 337, 2/4/2005
Executive Action: None.

00:00:14

HEARING ON SB 337

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. DAN WEINBERG (D), SD 2, opened the hearing on SB 337,
Authorize conservation easements on school trust land.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:15 John Morrison, Montana State Auditor
00:09:25 Linda McCulloch, Superintendent, Public Schools
00:11:54 Candace West, on behalf of Attorney General Mike
McGrath
00:13:08 Mike Jopek, on behalf of self
00:14:15 Mike Volesky, on behalf of Governor's office
00:15:05 Mary Sexton, Director, Montana Department of
Natural Resources (DNRC)
00:16:38 Marshall Friedman, on behalf of self
00:18:42 David Fern, on behalf of self
00:23:25 Monna Jameson, Montana Association of Land Trusts
00:25:03 Larry Peterman, Chief of Field ops for MTFWP
00:26:01 Valerie Otto, on behalf of self
00:29:08 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon Society
00:30:16 Robert Throssell, Montana Wildlife Association
00:30:57 Ann Hedges, Montana Environmental
00:31:33 John Wilson, Montana Trout Unlimited
00:33:21 Diane Conradi, Lincoln Institute for Land Policy

Opponents' Testimony:

00:36:09 Jay Bonner, Montana Stock Grower's Association

00:37:18

Informational Testimony: None.

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Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:41:00 SEN CURTISS for Tom Schultz, DNRC

00:58:51

Closing by Sponsor:

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:10 P.M.

SEN. GLENN ROUSH, Chairman

PEG HOLWICK, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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